

‘Answers to Common Questions on Financial Dealings’ Contemporary Fiqh’l Mu‘āmalāt Training for Imāms

Being an Imam is a position of responsibility and many a time people will turn to you for rulings and matters on modern day Muslim concerns. How would you answer: ‘How do British Muslims conduct their daily financial transactions in a Sharī‘ah-compliant manner?’ or ‘How do we avoid interest in our dealings?’ and ‘What is the permissibility of retail products/services such as breakdown cover, car insurance, loans or credit cards, etc? Or ‘Can a taxi driver transport customers to the pub?’

Serious questions demand serious answers! Every Scholar has his own field of expertise and not every Imām is not an expert when it comes to Fiqh’l Mu‘āmalāt (legal and financial rulings). Many British Imāms face challenging questions from their congregations on daily basis: what can you do to be better prepared?

Course Outline

British Muslims face a great challenge in discharging their Sharī‘ah obligations when it comes to contemporary problems (be it financial or legal issues). Many British Imams and scholars face an even bigger challenge to apply the correct principles of Fiqh’l Mu‘āmalāt and find the Sharī‘ah position to offer practical solutions or overcome common obstacles faced by Muslims living in Britain. So what do Imams and Scholars do and what is required to find a solution to our dilemma? Well, just like a GP would refer his patient enquiries outside of his knowledge to a specialist consultant, similarly, a starting point for all Imams is to gain a little bit of technical insight from a panel of Sharī‘ah experts.

In light of this challenge, 1st Ethical Charitable Trust working in partnership with Al-Qalam Sharī‘ah Panel have designed this unique Half-Day Taster Programme to equip British Imams with the necessary technical knowledge (Fiqh’l Mu‘āmalāt) to answer common questions and gain insight into practical techniques to better inform their local congregations.

This is a FREE training programme specially-tailored for British Imāms and guaranteed to help you better serve the needs of your local community. Simply put, this opportunity is essential for every Imām.

Course Aims

1. To support Imāms in educating their congregations to apply Sharī‘ah precepts to common legal and financial concerns’
2. To answer frequently asked questions on retail finance products (i.e. credit cards, loans, car insurance etc.) commonly taken up by British Muslims
3. To answer frequently asked questions on important Mu‘āmalāt areas such as Halāl earnings, calculating Zakāh, on contemporary assets, Islamic Will, Laws of Intestacy, Pensions etc.
4. To develop a game plan to effectively impart this knowledge to local Mosque congregations

Who should attend this training?

Suitable for qualified scholars, Imāms, madrasa and school teachers

AGENDA

The intensive morning begins from 9am, with registration and refreshments, and finishes at 13:15 for Dhuhr Salāh. The day will incorporate the following sessions:

- **Session 1 – Intro to Fiqh'I Mu'āmalāt & Retail Finance Products**
- **Exercise 1**
- **Session 2 – Earning Halal FAQs (40 mins)**
- **Exercise 2**
- **Session 3 – Zakāh & Islamic Wills FAQs**
- **Q & A**

Total Training Duration

09:15 – 13:15 Duration: 240 minutes (4 hours)

If you are interested in arranging or attending this training course, please get in touch with our Team on the details below.